## CITY OF CUMBERLAND, MD

# **Neighborhood Advisory Commission (NAC)**

MEETING MINUTES - August 31, 2015

Councilman Seth Bernard called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and reminded everyone to sign-in. Attending were: Allen Hedrick – co-chair, Jenn Jeudy, Josh Greise, Francis Cook, Sheila Harper and Bob Clark. City staff present: Councilman Seth Bernard – co-chair, Lt. Brian Lepley and Terri Hast

A motion was made to accept the minutes as written from the July 27, 2015 meeting. All were in favor.

Lt. Lepley provided statistics from last month for police report. NNO Cumberland was big hit. He's pushing for Fort Cumberland Homes to be considered for next year's location. The motorcycle 9/11 ride is the last (dwindled funds & participation) He asks that all be more traffic/pedestrian attentive as school is back in session.

### **Neighborhood reports**

Cook reported that Eastside Neighborhood Association held a picnic on August 8 with a good turnout. They have submitted a 501c3 application and are working on their by-laws. Their borders have extended from the YMCA to Interstate I-68.

Hedrick reported that Chapel Hill made some change to their by-laws and extended their border to include Industrial Boulevard to South Street and Oldtown Road to West Industrial Blvd. and CSX Drive. They will be losing Secretary to a job move. HRDC has announced a clean-up program which includes the Chapel Hill area and will take place on September 19 from 8:00-4:00 p.m.

Hast reported that South Cumberland Business and Civic Association is in full planning mode for the Annual Halloween Parade. The annual newsletter will go out this week. My Bank! 1<sup>st</sup> United's fraud specialist will be speaking at the September 8 meeting. Meetings are open to public with an optional \$12 dinner available.

#### **Old Business**

Hedrick commented on the National Night Out thank you letter in the newspaper listing all the participants. The NNO wrap up meeting is scheduled and the event will be held again next year the first Tuesday in August.

Hast spoke about <u>www.nextdoor.com</u> which is an program to assist neighborhoods organize. You can make your own boundaries and post community news. A handout was provided.

Hast pointed out that the City of Cumberland has a 'Notify Me' link where you can be alerted by email or text of community updates, road closures, water outages, curbside recycling schedule, and much more.

Jeudy reported that since the NAC logo is finished she and Greise were able to complete the packets to assist in starting a neighborhood group. Plans are to hand out flyers to the neighborhoods as they are setting up each.

## **New Business**

There was no new business.

#### **Public Comment**

Greise asked about sizes of various boards among neighborhood groups which was discussed.

A question regarding an economic development project in the MD Ave area off I-68 was raised and it was proposed that anyone interested in that attend the M&CC meeting tomorrow evening for clarity.

A motioned was made to adjourn, and the meeting ended at 6:30 p.m. The next meeting will be held Monday, September 28, 2015.

Respectively submitted, Terri Hast

cc: Margie Woodring, City Clerk